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1. MRS. MANALO TOLD ACTING E/C COUNSELOR AUGUST 18 THAT
THE GOP WAS MOST PLEASED THAT UNDERSECRETARY COOPER WILL
NOW LEAD THE U.S. DELEGATION AND REMAIN IN MANILA UNTIL
THE AFTERNOON OF SEPTEMBER 11. SINCE COOPER WILL BE HERE
FOR THE ENTIRE PERIOD OF THE TALKS, SHE SUGGESTED THAT THE
CONSULTATIONS BEGIN ON SEPTEMBER 8 WITH COOPER AND THAT WE

GIVE UP THE IDEA OF A TRUNCATED SESSION ON SEPTEMBER 7 TO DEAL WITH ITEMS 3 AND 4 WHICH ARE MINOR AND CAN BE DEALT WITH IN A FEW MINUTES. SHE WILL CONSULT FURTHER AND LET US KNOW.

2. WE PASSED ON THE SUGGESTION THAT GENERAL ROMULO'S DINNER BE HELD ON THE 8TH AND COOPER'S PREFERENCE FOR A SMALL LUNCHEON. MRS. MANALO SAID THAT A SMALL LUNCHEON BY THE PRESIDENT MAY LIKELY INCLUDE ALL THE ASEAN ECONOMIC MINISTERS IN ATTENDANCE.

3. MRS. MANALO EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR PAPER ON COMMODITIES AND A COMMON FUND (REF C).

4. GOP IS INTERESTED IN BILATERAL TALKS WITH US AFTER (RPT AFTER) THE CONSULTATIONS. THIS INTEREST WAS AGAIN REITERATED TO CHARGE BY VIRATA AT FUKUDA LUNCHEON AUGUST 18. WE ARE THEREFORE RESERVING SATURDAY FOR ANY REMAINING CONSULTATIONS AND FOR US/RP ECONOMIC TALKS.

5. SUNDAY MORNING WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR COOPER TO VISIT INTERESTING ECONOMIC ACTIVITY. BECAUSE OF THE TIME CONSTRAINTS WE RECOMMEND TRAVEL BY HELICOPTER. VISIT COULD INCLUDE RURAL ELECTRIFICATION, SMALL-SCALE IRRIGATION, PROVINCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND POPULATION ACTIVITIES. WOULD APPRECIATE INDICATION OF ORDER OF PREFERENCE.
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6. EMBASSY BALLROOM HAS ACCOMMODATED SEVEN TABLES AT 9 EACH FOR DINNERS IN THE PAST. AN ADDITIONAL TABLE CAN BE SQUEEZED IN. MRS. MANALO ESTIMATED THAT THE ASEAN DELEGATIONS WOULD TOTAL ABOUT 40 BUT NO MORE THAN 50. COST OF DINNER IS LESS THAN \$11 PER PERSON, OR ABOUT \$650 FOR 60 PERSONS. COST OF RECEPTION IS ABOUT \$6.50 PER PERSON. BOTH ESTIMATES INCLUDE BEVERAGES AND SERVICE. WE RECOMMEND A DINNER WHICH WOULD PROVIDE EXPOSURE TO AND BY COOPER IN DEPTH, WHEREAS A LARGE RECEPTION WOULD ALTER THE REPRESENTATIONS CHARACTER FROM US/ASEAN TO A FIL-AMERICAN AFFAIR.

7. WE PRESUME THAT DEPARTMENT LOOKS TO EMBASSY TO PROVIDE APPROPRIATE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES IN SUPPORT OF USDEL, E.G., SECRETARIAL, COMMUNICATIONS, TRANSPORTATION, SUPPLIES, ETC. AS LOCUS OF US/ASEAN CONSULTATIONS WOULD BE ADJACENT TO USDEL HOUSING, WE SUGGEST CONTROL ROOM BE AUTHORIZED IN PHILIPPINE PLAZA HOTEL. ESTIMATED OVERTIME COSTS, CONTROL ROOM, COPYING EQUIPMENT RENTAL, MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES, ETC. WOULD BE ABOUT \$1,500. PLEASE FURNISH FUND CITE.

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